

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed September 17, 2004, the Examiner noted that claims 1-14 were pending and rejected all claims. Claims 15-17 have been added, thus, in view of the forgoing claims 1-17 remain pending for reconsideration which is requested. No new matter has been added. The Examiner's rejections are traversed below.

On pages 2 and 5 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejects all claims under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as anticipated by or under 35 USC § 103 as obvious over Anodide.

The present invention is directed to using a screen definition to automatically select or generate or produce a test program for a screen program where the screen program interacts with a graphical user interface (see claims 1 and 10-17). And then testing the screen program and interface using the test program selected responsive to the screen definition (see claims 1 and 10-17). That is, the test program already exists to be selected based on the screen definition information. The screen definition information includes the class name of the parent of the test target program and the test support class is generated as a child from the parent (see claims 1 and 10-17, application page 14 and figure 5). The invention is about automatic testing.

Anodide is directed at creating or developing a test program for GUI software where the development system allows the user to perform a test and capture the performed test steps to store or save as the test program. There does not appear to be any discussion in Anodide of using screen definition information to automatically select, generate or produce a test program for testing a screen program that interacts with an interface. In a sense, the present invention can use the results created by the Anodide system as one of the test programs automatically selected or generated or produced by the screen definition information responsive to the class name.

It is submitted that the present claimed invention patentably distinguishes over Anodide and withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

The dependent claims depend from the above-discussed independent claims and are patentable over the prior art for the reasons discussed above. The dependent claims also recite additional features not taught or suggested by the prior art. For example, claim 7 allows the system to use a previous test execution result as an input. Nothing in the prior art teaches or suggests such. It is submitted that the dependent claims are independently patentable over the prior art.

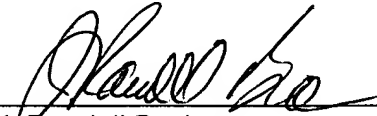
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If any further fees, other than and except for the issue fee, are necessary with respect to this paper, the U.S.P.T.O. is requested to obtain the same from deposit account number 19-3935.

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